



**WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT
OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
FINAL DETERMINATION OF
NON-SIGNIFICANCE**
March 23, 2000

State of Washington
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Name of Proposal: ADDITION OF COMMON LOON TO STATE SENSITIVE SPECIES
RULE (PROTECTED WILDLIFE) (WAC 232.12.011)

Description of Proposal: The Department of Fish and Wildlife is evaluating the common loon for possible listing as a state sensitive species, amending WAC 232.12.011. WAC 232.12.011 identifies sensitive species in Washington which are in need of special management consideration to keep them from becoming threatened or endangered. The draft report and listing recommendation were made available to the public for a 90-day review period June 15 - September 15, 1999. Two public meetings were held during the review period in Olympia (July 27, 1999) and Moses Lake (July 29, 1999).

The final status reports are available at our the Department of Fish and Wildlife's headquarters, (360) 902-2534, and regional offices, and libraries throughout the state. Locations to obtain copies, and electronic copies of the final status reports may be obtained online at <http://www.wa.gov/wdfw/wlm/diversty/soc/status/commloon/commloon.htm>.

Proponent: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Endangered Species Section, 600 Capitol Way North, Olympia, Washington 98501-1091. Contact: Endangered Species Section Manager.

Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Statewide.

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

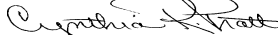
The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of the completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date of issue below. Comments must be submitted by: **March 22, 2000**

Responsible Official: Peter Birch **Position/Title:** Environmental Services Division Manager
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e-mail: prattcrp@dfw.wa.gov if you have questions or comments about this determination.

DATE OF ISSUE: March 1, 2000

SIGNATURE:  for Peter Birch